

Minutes

December 2nd, 2014

6:00 pm City Hall

Parks and Recreation Meeting

A. **Kara Johnson** calls the meeting to order, December 2nd, 2014 at 6:08 PM.

B. **ROLL CALL:**

In Attendance: Kara Johnson, Karen Hallquist, Wendy Ranney, Miriam Dunbar, Susie Herschleb, and Shannon Phillips

Absent: Steve Barnes, Dave Zastrow, Marven VanDenBroek

C. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion to approve the Agenda/ K. Hallquist, S/ M. Dunbar, V/unanimous

D. **VISITOR COMMUNICATION:**

Kate Morse with the Copper River Watershed Project

Morse states that she is here to give an update on some projects that they've been doing in partnership with the City – in particular around Odiak Pond. The first project pursued was building a bioswale behind CCMC, which is a type of filter using native vegetation. **Morse** said that over the summer they had almost 100 local students involved in transplanting local vegetation and it is now full of vegetation. As far as Parks and Recreation involvement the MOU will be cutting the willows back to prevent overgrowth. **Morse** states that another big thing to celebrate from this summer is the removal of an old railroad culvert out of the far corner of Odiak Pond. This was a water quality and a fish passage issue. Over 20 adult coho salmon were spotted this year. There is a long list of funders and supporters including the city.

E. **Consent Calendar**

1. **10/20/14 minutes – Motion to approve the Consent Calendar/ M.Dunbar, S/K.Hallquist, V/unanimous**

F. **Directors Report**

- **Herschleb** states that our Rec. ops. Leader has transferred to a different department and that Kellen Hawley will be stepping in.
- We have moved ahead and did some improvements at Odiak Camper Park. We were able to bring in 25 truckloads of D1 & get in a good grating before spring that will have time to compact before the trailers pour in.
- We had a great turn out for City league basketball.
- The card swipe system is working great. We recently had to expand our member's capacity from 500 to 1000. We started this system at Bidarki we would like to get it at the pool but we are not quite there yet.
- **Herschleb** said that we are still working on keeping the pool open with one lifeguard and improving safety. One of the things we are looking into is an aquatic incident alarm. Which is an attachment that goes on the lifeguard tube. If someone enters the water with their lifeguard tube an alarm goes off at dispatch so we can promptly get a second responder.

- Micah has received all the metal to redesign the shooting stations to get them to move to the lower setting for 3rd & 4th grade basketball.
- We have started the groundwork for 3 temporary RV sites at shelter cove and should be ready by spring.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. RV Parking in Cordova –

Herschleb said that all of the Odiak Camper Park spaces are now long term. We are developing three short term spaces at Shelter Cove. We are clearing the trees out back to the tent platforms, and putting in a fire ring and a picnic table. The spaces will be surrounded by trees but will have a view of the inlet. We will still have available tent space.

We are going to council with a \$1.00 a day increase, which makes it \$25.00 a day for long term traffic at Odiak. At Shelter Cove: We developed 3 Private Sites for \$20.00 per night, Tent spaces \$11.00 per night, and Econo RV Parking for \$11.00 per night. There will be no long term parking at Shelter Cove.

Herschleb starts a discussion on additional RV parking. **Herschleb** states that we need to invite Sam Greenwood in or get information about available properties. Different locations are discussed.

2. Pool Temperature –

Herschleb states that the water has been dropped 1 degree and has not been dropped any further. In 2010 commission decided on a temperature of 82 degrees. It is now 81 degrees. **Hallquist** said that there is a lot of cold air blowing out of the locker rooms. **Herschleb** replies that our maintenance staff is working on that issue. **Herschleb** says that she hopes people give us feedback. Making a survey is suggested. Possible questions are discussed.

I. PENDING AGENDA – none

J. COMMISSION COMMENTS – none

K. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 PM